



LODI ARTS COMMISSION

March 10, 1988

Members of the City Council, City Of Lodi:

The Lodi Arts Commission has recently initiated an exciting new project for the citizenry. The formation of the Lodi Chamber Orchestra, a long-overdue entity, will bring but another legitimate music source to our community.

The initial presentation this Spring will feature Mr. Ronald Marks, Director with a group of professionals which he has assembled, who are willing to work well below scale in order to get the program off the ground. During the next budget year (1988-89) they will be a self-controlled operation with no need of the Commission's financial help.

Since this opportunity presented itself well into the budget year the Arts Commission is looking at some unforeseen expenditures that must be met in order for us to make this endeavor a success. (Rentals, tickets, printing, etc.) For this reason the Commission wishes to petition the City Council to overrun our 1987-88 budget by \$500. which we feel will help carry off this venture. We have also successfully illicited financial help from two of the city's service agencies.

Commissioner Maryjane Ballatore and I will be available to answer questions at the forthcoming Council meeting.

Sincerely,

Rick Dentino, Chairman LAC

March 16, 1988

Excerpt from minutes of Lodi Arts Commission meeting on
March 1, 1988.

A motion was made and carried to ask the Lodi City Council
for \$1,000.00 for the Lodi Chamber Orchestra. The money
shall be used for expenses (program, tickets, rental of
music, rental of church). Balance of monies would be
used to form a Lodi Chamber Orchestra Board of Directors.
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